

FROM: Consular Section

SUBJECT: Record of Human Rights Representations

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Principals and Topics</u>
9/1/76	Letter, 8/30/76	Consular officer Whitman expresses concern to Judge Pedro Alegria-Caceres over delays in trial of Gwenda Lopez.
9/2/76	Letter, 9/2/76	Consul General Huey points out delays in Gwenda Lopez trial to Judge Caceres.
9/2/76	Case notes Gwenda Lopez 9/2/76	Consular officer Whitman and Public Defender discuss delays in Gwenda Lopez' case.
9/3/76	Case notes, Gwenda Lopez, 9/3/76	Consular officer Whitman expresses concern to Subchief of Police Ruben Bertolio over poor living conditions Rosario jail.
9/14/76	Buenos Aires 5976 9/14/76	Political Counselor Smith formally requests GOA provide full protection to abducted American citizen Patricia Erb.
9/15/76	Buenos Aires 6030 9/16/76	Consular officer Whitman reviews legal status Gwenda Lopez case with Judge Barta in Rosario.
9/15/76	Case notes Gwenda Lopez, 9/15/76	Consular officer Whitman and official Third Army <del>XXXXXX</del> Command discuss human rights implications of detention of Gwenda Lopez.

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

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9/15/76	Buenos Aires 6401	Political Counselor Smith expresses Embassy's concern to Director of Worship, Foreign Ministry regarding freedom of religious expression in Argentina in light of ban on Jehovah's Witnesses
	9/16/76	
9/15/76	Buenos Aires 6030	Consular officer Whitman makes formal verbal protest to <del>XXXXXXXXXXXX</del> Subchief of Police Rosario <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> Bertolio over living conditions Gwenda Lopez/
	9/16/76	
9/15/76	Case notes Patricia Erb 9/15/76	Consular officer Muller expresses Embassy's concern over abduction Patricia Erb to Dr. Ruiz, Director Villa Devoto Penitentiary.
9/15/76	Case Notes Patricia Erb 9/15/76	Consular officer Muller expresses Embassy's concern over abduction Patricia Erb to Dr. Rodriguez-Graham, Chief of Protocol, Federal Penitentiary System.
9/16/76	Buenos Aires 6097 9/17/76	Political Counselor Smith reiterates to Foreign Office Embassy's grave concern over abduction Patricia Erb.
9/16/76	Embassy Note # 280 9/16/76	Embassy protests living conditions under which Gwenda Lopez held.
9/17/76	Embassy Note # 278 9/17/76	Embassy again asks Argentine Government to assure the safety and determine the whereabouts of Patricia Erb.

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9/20/76	No Record	Consular officer Whitman and Director Villa Devoto Penetentiary discuss treatment of political prisoners in Argentine jails.
9/20/76	Case notes Patricia Erb 9/20/76	Consular officer Whitman and Dr. Rodriguez-Graham discuss abduction Patricia Erb.
9/21/76	Case notes Patricia Erb 9/21/76	Consular Officer Whitman expresses Embassy's concern to Col. Ruiz-Palacios, Office of Political Affairs, Ministry of Interior, over abduction and whereabouts Patricia Erb.
9/30/76	Case notes Patricia Erb 9/30/76	Consular officer Whitman discusses access to Patricia Erb with Capt. Seisdedos, Foreign Office.
10/4/76	Case notes Patricia Erb 10/4/76	Consular officer Whitman Reviews arrest case of Patricia Erb with Capt. Seisdedos, Foreign Office.
10/19/76	Case notes Debora Paulazzo 10/19/76	Consular Officer Whitman expresses Embassy's concern Principal Egoles, Federal Police, over abduction of American citizen, Debora Paulazzo in Santa Fe.
10/19/76	Case Notes Debora Paulazzo 10/19/76	Consular officer Whitman expresses Embassy's concern to Capt. Seisdedos, Foreign Office, over abduction of American citizen, Debora Paulazzo in Santa Fe.

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10/19/76	Case Notes Debora Paulazzo 10/19/76	Consular Officer Whitman expresses Embassy's concern to Maj. Baloni, Santa Fe Provincial Police, regarding abduction Debora Paulazzo in Santa Fe.
10/19/76	Case notes Debora Paulazzo 10/19/76	Consular officer Whitman expresses Embassy's concern to Col. Rodriguez-Carranza 2nd Army Command Santa Fe over abduction Debora Paulazzo.
10/19/76	Commercial telegram 10/19/76	Consular officer Hitchcock requests information from Col. Jose Gonzales, 2nd Army Command, Santa Fe, on apparent arrest and detention of Debora Paulazzo.
10/20/76	Case notes Chros Oliva 10/20/76	Consular officer Whitman requests information from Col. Puchetta, 3rd Army Command on death in Cordoba of American Citizen Chris Oliva.
10/21/76	Embassy Note # 310 10/21/76	Embassy requests official report regarding circumstances surrounding death of Chris Oliva.
12/1/76	No Record	Consular officer Whitman and Juan Carlos Ruiz, Director Villa Devoto Penetentiary discuss U.S. interest in human rights in Argentina.
12/1/76	Case Notes Children of God 12/1/76	Consular officer Whitman requests consular access to 10 members of Children of God sect arrested for subversion, from Inspector Capucetti, Office of Foreign Affairs, Federal Police.

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12/1/76	Case Notes Children of God 12/1/76	Consular officer Whitman requests access to 10 members Children of God Sect from Capt. Seisdodos, Foreign Office /
12/23/76	Embassy Note # 387 12/23/76	Embassy reiterates request for report on circumstances surrounding death of American citizen, Chris Oliva in Cordoba.
12/27/76	Buenos Aires 8330 <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> 12/27/76	Consular officer Whitman raises issue of consular access to dual national Maria Panero, <del>xxxx</del> with Dr. Rodriguez-Graham Chief of Protocol, Federal Penetentiary system.
12/28/76	Buenos Aires 8366 12/28/76	Consular officer Whitman raises issue of consular access to dual national Marta Alicia Panero, with Major Peña <del>II</del> 3rd Army Corps, Cordoba.
12/28/76	<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> No Record	Consular officer Whitman and Juan Carlos Ruiz, Director Villa Devoto Penetentiary discuss human rights and internal security in Argentina.
12/30/76	Case Notes Marta Panero 12/30/76	Consular officer Whitman <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> pointed out Congressional concern in human rights arrest cases in Argentina to LtCol. Gonzales-Navarro 4th Air Brigade, Cordoba.
1/6/77	Case Notes Maria Panero 1/6/77	Embassy officer <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> Thayer and Consular officer Whitman review arrest cases of Maria and Marta Panero with Consejo Flores, Foreign Office.